

Clear tonight. Cloudy tomorrow.

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## MUENTER FOND OF GIVING DRUGS TO WATCH EFFECT

Startling Stories of Harvard Professor Accused of Wife Murder.

## MADE LOVE TO TWO GIRLS

Tried Once Before to Kill Wife by Gas, His Brother-in-Law Declares.

### Developments in Case

Known that Muentner was fond of giving drugs to watch effects. Told dead woman's brothers she signed statement declaring him innocent. Made love to another girl while courting wife. Christian Scientist attendants say he was kind to sick woman. Borrowed money from brother-in-law before disappearing.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 28.—Detectives today prepared to search the University of Chicago for Prof. Edith Muentner, the Harvard German instructor, suspected of poisoning his wife, formerly Leone Krems, 479 Fullerton avenue. He disappeared Monday in Chicago.

Muentner, who was formerly a student at the Midway College, has many friends there at the present time, and the police declare that he may be hiding somewhere in the university. It became known today that Muentner was fond of giving drugs to human beings to watch their effect.

Meanwhile, details of Muentner's courtship became public, and it was stated by Walter Krems, a druggist at West Randolph and Halsted streets, and a sister of the dead woman, that the professor made love to a girl in Germany while he was courting Miss Krems.

It also became known that Miss Bertha C. Muentner, teacher at the Hendricks School, Forty-third street and Shields avenue, had left the Hollenden Hotel, Sixty-first street and Wentworth avenue, where she lived, and went to Boston suddenly last night.

### Statement by Woman's Brother.

The new revelations of Muentner's homecoming, and his stories to Mrs. Muentner's kin of her death and the cause of it, are astonishing.

Walter Krems, the druggist, told in detail of his suspicions of Muentner, and of the man's actions before his disappearance. "Muentner murdered my sister," cried he. "There is no doubt that he killed her, and killed her long after plotting to get rid of her."

"This was his second attempt to kill her. The first was unsuccessful. It happened nearly four years ago, when he and my sister lived at 5629 Ingleside avenue, in a flat with Prof. John M. Krems, of the University High School, and his wife. Little Helen had then just been born, and Mrs. Muentner was still in charge of the nurse."

"Muentner waited until everyone had left the flat, then turned on all the gas jets in the room where his wife and sister were, and closed up the doors and windows and went out on the front porch and waited for them to die. The house and the woman in the flat below, alarmed, burst into the place, and found the woman and baby almost suffocated."

"Muentner himself was sitting on the front porch, calmly smoking, and waiting for them to die. Nothing was said of it at the time as pointing to murder. We did not like the looks of it, but he explained that it was an accident."

"I never liked the man," said Krems. "I always opposed the match, and did all I could to persuade my sister not to marry the man. I told her no good would come of the marriage, and now you see!"

"The woman was bound to marry him, and it was useless to try to dissuade her. While they were engaged Muentner went to Europe for a short trip. He was to return in a couple of months, but he stayed twice that time. Word came that Muentner had been making love to a girl there and was engaged to her. I investigated and found this to be true. So we told my sister that she must give the man up. We made known all the facts and finally she wrote, breaking her engagement."

"Meantime, the girl in Germany had been married to another man."

### THE WEATHER REPORT.

The Middle West disturbance has moved very slowly northeastward to eastern Nebraska attended by showers in the lower Mississippi and middle Mississippi valleys. There were also local showers in Tennessee and the Carolinas, and some snow in the British Northwest.

Temperature changes were not of great consequence. There will be showers tonight in the East Gulf States, and tonight and Sunday in the upper Ohio Valley and lower lake region. In the middle and south Atlantic States the weather will be partly cloudy.

It will be somewhat cooler in the East Gulf States and warmer in the lower lake region.

THE SUN.  
Sun sets today..... 6:49  
Sun rises tomorrow..... 5:56

TIDE TABLES.  
Low tide today..... 5:04 p. m.  
High tide today..... 11:30 p. m.  
Low tide tomorrow..... 5:43 a. m.  
High tide tomorrow..... 11:46 a. m.

## SOME CHECKS RECEIVED AT RELIEF HEADQUARTERS



Sums large and small are written on their faces, but all are for the one purpose, and none was more welcome than the "widow's mite"—two silver quarters sewed to an earnest message of sympathy for the San Francisco sufferers.

## WOMAN VICTIM OF COLORED MAN IN ROCK CREEK PARK

Miss Arctander Choked and Beaten Into Insensibility—Arrests.

After a desperate struggle with a colored man, Miss Edle Arctander, of 1314 Fourteenth street northwest, was choked into insensibility and assaulted by the man yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock, while near Pierce Mill, in Rock Creek Park. Today she is suffering from nervous shock and her condition is so serious that she is under the constant care of a physician.

A reward of \$100 has been offered by the Police Department for the arrest of the colored man. A good description has been furnished the detectives and police who are scouring the country contiguous to the scene of the crime and the young woman says she can identify her assailant. Detectives Muller, Cornwell, Warren, Hartigan and Baur, and a large detail of police from the Seventh and Tenth precincts, are looking for the miscreant. The police say they will not give up the search until the man is arrested or all hope of capturing him has vanished. Their vigilance in this case is due to the fact that this is the second one of its nature reported within twenty-four hours. It is not believed, however, that the same man figured in both cases.

Two Suspects Held.  
Several suspects have been arrested, and two are still held by Lieutenants Doyle, of the Eighth district, and Schneider, of the Georgetown precinct. One of the prisoners is Nolan Lucas, about twenty-five years old, who was arrested at 2 o'clock this morning by Sergeant Murphy and Mounted Policeman Smith, of the Seventh district, near the District line. Lucas says he lives in Bethesda, Md.

In his pockets were found several car tickets and \$1.35. Miss Arctander was robbed of a pocketbook containing \$1.75 and some car tickets, but she cannot identify the money. Lieutenant Schneider says the prisoner answers the description of the man who assaulted Miss Arctander, and he tells several different stories. He was unable to account for his possession of the money and car tickets, and failed to explain to the satisfaction of the police his presence in a field where he was discovered by Sergeant Murphy and Smith. The other suspect is William Young, who was arrested at Connecticut avenue and R street northwest by Policeman Walden. The prisoner is said to bear a close resemblance to the man wanted. Young says he was working on a school building in Northeast Washington and was nowhere near Rock Creek Park any time throughout the day.

A close watch is being kept on the gangs at work in Rock Creek Park, the police believing the man who committed the crime may have been employed there.

Miss Arctander Tells Story.  
Miss Arctander, who is a massage and physical culture teacher, told this story to the police:

"I boarded a northbound Fourteenth street car near my home and rode to the end of the line. Then I walked out (Continued on Second Page.)



LOCAL CANVASSING COMMITTEE HANDLING RETURNS.  
From Left to Right—W. Riley Deebie, Bond Taylor, John Joy Edson, Thomas Bradley, F. B. Eichelberger, Edward Paynter, Andrew Parker.

## GREELY REPORTS SLOW PROGRESS

Troops Unable to Handle Supplies Crowding in on Railroads.

A telegram received from General Greely this morning says:

"General conditions improving, though very slowly. Efficient action in handling relief supplies being impracticable until arrival of additional troops. Health continues unusually good, without any signs of epidemics. Relief supplies arriving in enormous quantities, threatening congestion of railway, where 1,400 cars for commercial and industrial traffic are now in sight. Difficulties regarding storage are daily increasing. Sanitation is considered at present the most critical phase. Water supply slowly increasing in city, though water famine threatens at Presidio of San Francisco, which subject Heuer and Torney are investigating. Secretary Metcalf personally visiting greater part of camps, principal buildings, and burned district today."

Another dispatch from General Greely asks for official confirmation of the news that Congress has appropriated \$2,500,000 for the relief of San Francisco, stating that as yet he has received the information only from newspaper sources. He sent also a personal telegram to Assistant Secretary of War Oliver, thanking him for the department's expression of confidence.

General Greely also wired the War Department the following additional list of serious injured: Anthony Angelo, Charles Brown, Mrs. Budzaenell, Lewis Durand, Mrs. A. (Continued on Second Page.)

## MARTIAL LAW PREVAILS WHILE PARIS TREMBLES

Domiciliary Visits Will Be Continued, Following Charges That Imperialists and Royalists Are Plotting Against the Government.

PARIS, April 28.—Martial law practically prevails in Paris today and will be until all danger from the Labor Day demonstrations have passed.

The domiciliary visits to the houses of Royalists, Bonapartists, socialists, and others, who are plotting for the downfall of the government, have been numerous. Among the houses which have been searched are those of Count Durand de Beauregard, Count de la Regie, General Baron de Taradell, M. Baccanier, president of the Royalist association; M. Thouvenel, an intimate friend of Prince Louis Napoleon; Major Feuilleux, formerly commander of the Imperial Guard; Jacques Plo., president of the Liberal League; M. Terhelm and Grifuelhes, secretaries of the Federation of Labor, and M. Fromentin, a wealthy anarchist leader.

All Sorts of Rumors.  
All sorts of rumors are current as to what has been discovered, but the government has as yet made no statement.

The prefecture of police specifically denies having knowledge of any anarchist plot. It declares that public unquietness is not warranted, as the police and military safeguards are merely precautionary. A considerable element of the population seems to be nervous and apprehensive, however. People are leaving in stocks of provisions, and the large provision stores are doing a thriving business in canned goods, oil, and mineral waters. M. Clemenceau, minister of the interior, has made the following statement in reply to questions regarding the truth of the reported discovery of a plot against the government: "Domiciliary searches have been made in Paris, and will be made elsewhere on the order of the examining magistrate of Douat. The magistrate has obtained convincing evidence that these disturbances were not simply labor troubles. An Imperialist Plot. "They were the result of a plot in which Imperialists, Royalists, and Revolutionary anarchists had combined. That is the truth."

Among the persons whose homes were searched by the police was Count Lepic, who married an American woman named Whitcomb, who has large property interests in California, including several houses in San Francisco. Count Lepic was on the point of starting for California to look after his wife's interests after the recent disaster there when the police called at his house. The count for eleven years has been secretary to Victor Bonaparte and his active supporter of the Napoleonic cause in France. Her family has fears that she may be involved in complications on account of the part she has taken in this cause because she is a foreigner, but no particular act has been alleged against her.

Plenty of Laths.  
Libbey Co., 6th and N. Y. Ave.—Adv.

## CASH POURS IN FROM CANVASS OF WHOLE CITY

Committee at Relief Headquarters Busy Tabulating Returns—Full Sum May Be Known Tomorrow.

When the committee on canvass of the citizens' committee completes the tabulating of the contributions received as a result of the house to house canvass, Washington may well be proud of the sum it has raised for the relief of the California sufferers.

At this morning, the chairman of the house canvass committee were bringing the contributions from their districts to the committee's headquarters in the Washington Loan and Trust building. Chairman John Joy Edson personally received the reports, and turned the submitters over for his assistants to audit. The canvassers have been given notice to bring their contributions in, but the total amount will probably not be known until tomorrow or Monday.

While many of the districts the total amount collected was considerably less than the committee had anticipated, the total exceeded their hopes by several hundred dollars. The canvassers were to make a report this morning. He said that the amount subscribed by the people of Columbia Heights and Mt. Pleasant was approximately \$1,000.

### CONTRIBUTIONS BY MAIL.

Gen. Robert H. Hall.....	\$10.00	Elizabeth H. Sheek.....	5.00
H. Christie Walker.....	5.00	L. M. Finkle.....	5.00
Cash A.....	5.00	George W. Curtis.....	5.00
J. C. Wilman & Co.....	10.00	Westcott & Story.....	5.00
W. Gray.....	5.00	A. D. Carpenter.....	10.00
Herbert D. Brown.....	10.00	F. W. Ritzer, Jr.....	5.00
A. D. Melvin.....	5.00	Eastwick C. Walcott.....	5.00
Cash L. W.....	5.00	Lucy D. Palmer.....	5.00
Charles A. Spaulding.....	10.00	J. Paul Smith.....	5.00
William Haywood.....	5.00	Henry.....	5.00
D. Olin Leach.....	5.00	H. W. Henshaw.....	5.00
E. H. Thomas.....	5.00	Charles Walcott.....	5.00
Sillan Hutchins.....	5.00	Edingerfield Parker.....	10.00
W. M. Fairfax.....	5.00	R. B. Donaldson.....	5.00
Mrs. S. L. L.....	5.00	Theo. Friebus.....	5.00
J. B. Morrey.....	5.00	Harry Kokones, S. E. Candy.....	5.00
Employees of Haines.....	10.00	Lee McNeely.....	5.00
Levi Woodbury.....	10.00	Mrs. H. P. Kingsbury.....	10.00
E. Dana Durand.....	10.00	Robert F. Shepard.....	5.00
Charles H. H.....	10.00	Dr. J. J. Richardson.....	10.00
Edward L. Morse.....	10.00	J. W. Little.....	5.00
J. O. Spangler.....	5.00	A friend to the San Francisco sufferers.....	5.00
Alexander B. Hagner.....	5.00	F.....	5.00
John Meigs.....	10.00	Louis A. Johnson.....	5.00
Cash S. N.....	5.00	W. H. Abercromby.....	10.00
W. R. Stansbury.....	10.00	Mrs. George Mason.....	10.00
Jordan & Bloomer.....	10.00	Cyrus Adler.....	10.00
A. Friend.....	10.00	W. S. Harlan.....	10.00
Walker Hughes Market Co.....	5.00	R. Ross Perry, Jr.....	10.00
Mertz & Mertz Co.....	10.00	T. E. Wilson.....	5.00
O. J. De Moll & Co.....	10.00	William H. Sorrell.....	5.00
Sarah A. Whitmore.....	5.00	George Ewing.....	5.00
Lewis M. Mayer.....	10.00	John Hansen.....	5.00
Charles J. Marc.....	10.00	Harding.....	5.00
Reeve Lewis.....	5.00	Dr. N. B. Shide.....	5.00
Benjamin Queen.....	5.00	Lee Miller.....	5.00
C. A. Harmer.....	5.00	Thomas A. Dayton.....	5.00
C. T. Browning.....	5.00	W. R. Du Bos.....	5.00
Katharine T. Vreeland.....	5.00	A. P. Davis.....	15.00
C. M. Woolf & Co.....	5.00	Miss Ella Clephane.....	5.00
Mrs. S. Onderdonk.....	5.00	Annie M. Clephane.....	10.00
John H. Osburn.....	5.00		
F. E. E.....	5.00		
Harriet Anna Niel.....	5.00		
Henry Evans.....	5.00		
Rev. William K. Turner.....	5.00		
Rear Admiral Edward Inch.....	5.00		
Saks & Co.....	100.00		
Washington Brewery Co.....	25.00		
Harry.....	5.00		
F. V. Killian.....	5.00		
J. J. Shadd.....	5.00		
J. C. Taplin.....	5.00		
John O. Morris.....	5.00		
James Gallagher.....	10.00		
A. Kirby.....	5.00		
W. E. Weber.....	5.00		
Pearson Chapman.....	5.00		
S. J. Crawford.....	5.00		
Hutchinson & Hall.....	5.00		
W. L. Baker.....	5.00		
Catherine L. Shehan.....	10.00		
J. D. Latimer.....	5.00		
A. Stabler.....	5.00		
E. G. Golden.....	10.00		
John H. H.....	5.00		
E. Edward Schultz.....	5.00		
Mrs. Eleanor A. Evans.....	25.00		
E. L. Schmidt.....	25.00		
M. F. Maxinger.....	25.00		
J. E. Dyer & Co.....	10.00		
J. C. Burrows.....	10.00		
W. B. Ogden.....	5.00		
D. B. Harmony.....	5.00		
Anna D. Bolling.....	10.00		
Philip Hichborn.....	5.00		
Mrs. C. R. McGowan.....	5.00		
T. F. Schneider.....	25.00		
John J. Brosnan.....	5.00		
W. B. O.....	5.00		
Mrs. Richardson Glover.....	100.00		
Herbert A. Gill.....	10.00		
John L. Morris.....	5.00		
Conrad Roeben.....	5.00		
Mrs. C. Stibel.....	5.00		
General Engraving Supply Co.....	5.00		
Hon. M. W. Fuller.....	25.00		
John E. McGrath.....	5.00		
William T. Harlan.....	10.00		
F. H. Elder.....	5.00		
Charles Brandt.....	5.00		
Emile S. Layton.....	10.00		
Mrs. C. A. M. L. and L. J. C.....	5.00		
George J. Seufferle.....	5.00		
Henry T. Ries & Son.....	5.00		
Z. Bowers.....	5.00		
Joseph.....	5.00		
Edward W. Byrn.....	10.00		
Mrs. John L. Morrison.....	20.00		
Samuel Herrick.....	10.00		
Payne, 117 G street.....	5.00		
John L. Aries.....	5.00		
Regular Army veteran.....	5.00		
Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Stocking.....	10.00		
Handie & Chandlee.....	25.00		
Red Dragon Seltzer Company.....	5.00		
Thomas E. Trazzare and family.....	5.00		
Jessie C. Collison.....	5.00		
Mrs. C. R. McGowan.....	10.00		
Mrs. Albert M. Patterson.....	10.00		
Mrs. George A. Woodward.....	10.00		
Morton J. Henry.....	5.00		
John B. Ames.....	25.00		
T. H. Netherlands.....	5.00		
Mrs. Warren Cochran.....	5.00		
Dr. H. C. Yarrow.....	25.00		
Misses Coyle.....	10.00		
A. L. Edwards.....	5.00		
Thomas G. Luscombe.....	5.00		
Philip K. Kelly.....	5.00		
Cash.....	12.00		
Sally S. Schenck.....	5.00		
John Tolett.....	5.00		
John Paul Rockwith.....	5.00		
F. W. Mattison.....	5.00		

Reported by Canvassers.  
The following are the contributions reported by the canvassers, the total amount by districts and squares being given and also all the contributions amounting to \$5 or more:

Part District No. 4.	
Charles Linkins, through A. C. Osborne—Total, \$1.70.	
District No. 9.	
Beginning at Connecticut avenue and Rock creek, north on Rock creek to Calver street, east on Calver street to E. H. Henthorn street, south on E. H. Henthorn street to Florida avenue, southwest on Florida avenue to Connecticut avenue, then up Connecticut avenue to Rock creek. By S. W. Woodward, total \$121.25.	
A. H. McCormick, Jr.....	\$5.00
Rev. F. W. Smith.....	5.00
Rev. Dr. Smith.....	5.00
Lieut. Col. Geo. Robinson.....	5.00
E. C. G.....	5.00
Mrs. F. H. H.....	5.00
W. A. Gieseking.....	5.00
W. S. Hughes, U. S. N.....	5.00
Mrs. M. G. McCormick.....	5.00
Lucas C. Plant.....	5.00
Mrs. Mary M. Leeson.....	5.00
Eighteen cash letters.....	28.25
District No. 18.	
North of Massachusetts avenue, west of Fourteenth street, south of P street, and east of Fifteenth street northwest, W. H. Frey. Total, \$167.45.	
F. P. May & Co.....	\$100.00
A. D. Mayo.....	5.00
William McE. North.....	5.00
C. Shirley Carter.....	10.00
J. L. Atchison.....	5.00
Frank L. Summy.....	10.00
C. H. Fishbaugh.....	5.00
William F. Frey.....	10.00
Thomas McCue.....	5.00
Mrs. Auguster.....	5.00
John W. Shaw.....	5.00
District No. 31.	
James L. Norris, 501 F street, east-west—Territory south of G street, east of Sixth street, north of Pennsylvania avenue, and west of Third street northwest. Total, \$144.15.	
Young Women's Christian Home.....	\$3.15
Miss A. S.....	5.00
Miss Mary A. Cushing.....	5.00
Walter C. Clephane.....	5.00
Mrs. James P. Goldman.....	5.00
Alan C. Clephane.....	5.00
Hessie L. Watson.....	5.00
Mrs. Hannah E. Crosby.....	5.00
Mrs. Indiana Brooke.....	5.00
A. Burnstine.....	5.00
Adolph Matern.....	5.00
J. M. Denty.....	5.00
F. L. Mattell.....	10.00
J. L. Norris, Jr.....	10.00
Part District No. 45.	
East of South Capitol street and south of Pennsylvania avenue and B street to the river. By Fred Repetti. Total, \$21.15.	
L. W. Slater.....	\$5.00
By M. I. Weiler—Total, \$43.20.	
Employes Singer Sewing Machine Company.....	\$5.00
Dr. A. E. Johnson.....	\$5.00